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SPIN, SPUN, SPAN: We substitutes will do what we can to fill Vi Davis and her staff's big shoes for a couple of weeks. The reporter organization for this scandalous sheet is a dandy, but nearly all of the reporters are on vacation. So be patient, Vi'll be back, and so will her reporters. We think they're doing a wonderful job, don't you?

PICNIC PREACHING: REA functions, such as the REA picnic on Saturday, July 24, are planned for REA people. Are you an REA'er? Then we hope we'll see you and your family there. Representation on the staff without participation will get you exactly nowhere, and besides its unfair to the committee members who work hard on such affairs. **SERMON OVER!** Preaching isn't our line. You talk to yourself about it.

GOOD CONFERENCES: "Happy Birthday, dear Ruby," led by Ancher Nelsen, enlivened the Chicago field conference and made Ruby Moorehead, Telephone Accountant for Western Section, feel better about the whole thing. She had just given the "gripes" for her group when greeted by the song. Good reports have come back to headquarters on both conferences.

REA GOLF LEAGUE: In the opening match of the REA Golf League, the Telephone Section golfers (Frank Bennett, Darrell Johnson, Frank Luff and Don McGirk) shut out the Northern Region divot diggers (Larry Cates, Joe Zoller, Charlie Wake and John Samokar) 6 points to 0. Bennett with 89 and Cates with 90 were low scorers. In an uncompleted match the Operations Allstars (Keith Kittle, John Scott) have 2½ points to ½ point for Southern Region golfers (Joe Farmer, Mal Wooster). The next scheduled matches to be completed by July 20 are Telephone vs Solicitors and Northern Region vs Operations.

AN OASIS FOR SAVINGS OR LOANS: Your CREDIT UNION encourages both. Save the credit union way! Build up your savings for future emergencies. If you don't need the money, it continues to earn liberal dividends. Borrow for present needs; it's good business to take advantage of bargains and consolidate bills into a credit union loan. If you have had unusual expenses come to your credit union. We probably can refinance all outstanding bills with lower monthly payments and loan you additional cash besides. Please call your Treasurer, Carl R. Pullen, x-5117.

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ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES: SFC Johnnie Brashears was visiting REA friends last week. When he finishes his training in Ky., Johnnie will be transferred to Fort Eustis, Va. Glad to see Laura Horn back to work. Guess the moving was too much for her. Have you seen Miss King, Joe Allison's new secretary? No wonder the fellows are making up excuses to drop in Mr. Allison's office. How they spent the 4th: Virginia Cain - Niagara Falls (Nope! No honeymoon); Eunice Johansen - fishing at Buggs Island Dam where she caught the biggest fish (She said so!); Maxine Painter - sleeping, she says; Deakins - up in Pa. again (No firecracker bites this time); Lou Knowles - Cape May, N. J. and Atlantic City. Bob Partridge is vacationing in Mo. Phyllis Tibbs was awarded her 10 year pin recently, and Joe Allison his 20 year pin.

ADMINISTRATIVE & LOAN ACCOUNTING: Bessie Scrivener presented Iva Shaffer with a unique pair of earrings on her return from vacation in Winston-Salem, and as a result, Mr. Casanges is now signing "Yes, We have No Bananas." Dolores Nelson in Minn. for two weeks. Rumor that Dave Wertheim may be the proud Papa of a BRAND NEW 1954 Ford soon.

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR: J. K. O'Shaughnessy is the proud grandfather of Kathaleen Patricia O'Shaughnessy. Claire Sullivan was awarded a 20 year pin. They can't be that old!

ELECTRIC ENGINEERING: Claribel Henry in Ohio, Bonnie Kitchen in Ky., Bill Reed touring N. M., Jean Nelsen headed for West Coast. "Too hot for anything else," says the reporter.

ELECTRIC OPERATIONS & LOANS: Thanks to Margaret Adams for the lovely magnolias sweetening up EO&L these days. That cute blonde in Power Procurement is Pat Theisz --make time, boys, she's just working for the summer. Karl Itkin soon to leave for two weeks military leave. Welcome back to P. H. Byerly in the Rate Section. The redhead in Management Section detailed from the Pool is Gail Lunde. The McCurley family just back from the Poconos. Walter Clayton returned to work after vacationing a week in Conn., sporting a sore finger; caught the fish hook in it, he says. Stella Rice expecting guests from Colorado Springs this week-end. Udo Rall, recuperating in George Washington Hospital after his operation, was still feeling plenty of pain Sunday according to visitor George Long. We hear he is getting better, however. Mary Foster vacationing in N. Y. and Conn. Marian Kelsey in Ky. Ethel Lincoln in Mich. Also vacationing are Frank Turney, Harold Johnson, Jeanette Griffin, Nellie Mellett, Bob Powers and Everett Brown. Madeline Hanna, new owner of a 1951 Chevy convertible --canary yellow. She will soon have a gorgeous tan. Anybody for a ride???? Has anyone seen Carrie Chapman's private office (newly painted green and with fluorescent lights). The lucky number is Room 3855. Tom Darling sporting a new Plymouth - gorgeous colors - coral body with black top. (Fresh flypaper?) Let's go, Tom!

George Anders winds up a five-year hitch with REA today, and reports to the Navy as Chief of the Shore Establishment Development Branch in the Bureau of Naval Personnel next Monday. George began his REA service as a fieldman, was later head of the Management Section, and most recently assistant to the Chief, EO&L. George has served as chairman of the REA blood donor keymen since last November and merits a "well done" for the new interest he stimulated in this activity. His successor is Virgil Hassler, INF, x-3564. George has asked SPAN to convey his appreciation and good wishes to REA friends he misses during this last week. He expects to keep up his REA contacts and continue seeing as many REAers as possible.

INFORMATION SERVICES: Udo Rall's many friends in Information are happy to hear that he is expected to leave the hospital Friday. "Good Luck, Ben and Les" was the message on the cake which INF cooked up for a farewell party honoring Ben Murov and Les Gaver. Ben and Les have gone to the Office of Information under the recent Department reorganization. Don Cooper of INF was limping slightly around the office after the 4th. Not a fireworks casualty, he cut his foot on a rock while doing some improvements around the Cooper homestead. After field tripping to Chicago, Bill Spivey took off over the 4th for several weeks vacation. His hometown of East St. Louis, Ill. will be one of the spots graced by Bill's presence.

PERSONNEL: REA welcomes James Wood, JMA Trainee; also Irene Jordan, Delores DeGrasse and Lillian Taylor. Hazel Frost back from vacation at Myrtle Beach; Louis Jorgensen spent week-end at Atlantic City; Alta Hamlin flew to Holland, Michigan to join her husband and to spend the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Bosman at their summer home on Lake Michigan. Ethel Lincoln was a fellow passenger on the plane. "Welcome Home!" to Mr. Starns, returning from field conferences and vacation. Another Boo-Boo: What typist in the Steno Unit typed two full pages (only one erasure) before she discovered she had no paper in the typewriter??? (A likely story - the hole that erasure made did it!)

TELEPHONE ENGINEERING: Steve Piligian's --a daughter, Diana Carol, 7 lbs., 6 oz., June 28. Robert Laurion's, field engineer, same day at Wisconsin Rapids, a boy. Everybody vacationing over the Fourth.

TELEPHONE OPERATIONS & LOANS: Dorothy Dick in Palmyra, Mo., Don Basler in the midwest; Howard Paine just back from Neb. & Texas; Eve Hemsley in Ocean City and also making a convention in St. Louis as president of the D. C. branch of the Federation of Business & Professional Women's Clubs; Bill Ricketts in Mo., Florence Smith in Mo., Shirley Sawyer in Minn. Ann Hoffelmeyer in Mo. (What's going on in Mo. anyway?) Jane Harris in Okla.; Carl Coburn drove to Calif. and Vi O'Neill, who's in the same office, flew to Calif. --probably doesn't trust those men drivers; Sybil Dubberly back from Fla. Herman Schafer spent the 4th in Bridgeforth, Ohio, and Bill Bridgeforth was cruising around Buggs Island in his boat; Paula Feld at Rehoboth Beach. Chuck Hytla, living alone but not liking it these past few months, got fed up on canned beans and has gone to Pittsburgh to bring back his favorite cook, Mrs. Hytla. Joe Pilch and family off for a week's sun at Ocean City. Peggy Dixon also there --or Fort Benning, Georgia--by coincidence, I guess. Gladys VanHorn still thrilled over trip to New England. Glad to report that Virgil Russell is feeling much better and expects to be back at work soon. Judy Potter being welcomed to North Central Section and Darrell Johnson to Northeast Section. Did you ever talk to Ethel Obenauer when she wasn't talking about her Kathy? Charles Gunson in Accounting Section is on two weeks military leave in Florida. Delores Hood appearing on the Jerry & Jima Strong show (in a bathing suit, yet) and the Jackson Weaver show last week. Completely irrelevant is the fact that the Ernie Rubrights have

THREE television sets! What secretary came back from the conference walking on air-sunburned feet! (She works for Mr. Weitzell!) Remark of the Week: Upon being stopped by a traffic cop for going thru a red light, Ken Barry commented, "I thought it was yellow. Are you sure they're the same on both sides!" Overheard: Q: What is art gum? A: I don't know him! or Q: Where can you find Red Jasper? A: In Va. and Wyoming. More vacationers: Earl Gardner tramped the streets of Atlantic City last week with the Shriners; Marie Inman spending 3 weeks in Salem, Mo.; Myrtle Brown and children visiting in Bimidji, Minn. Carl Mazzelli, now helping out at home while Mrs. Mazzelli convalesces from an operation, had his 4-year old daughter in last payday to see Daddy get home with the paycheck intact--smart girl!

SOUTHERN REGION: Katherine Allen out for her brother-in-law's funeral. Mr. and Mrs. Wrinkle and Susan returned to D. C. from visiting relatives in Mo. The highlight of the trip came when he attended his high school's graduating class reunion. His class had 7 boys and 7 girls who graduated in 1924. All 14 alumni attended this 30th reunion and the event was given news coverage in the nearby metropolitan newspapers. The Baptist minister who had delivered the bacca-laureate sermon as part of the graduating ceremony 30 years ago, preached a special Sunday sermon on June 27th with the entire class attending the church service.

NORTHERN REGION: Wade Edmunds, Chief, after the REA Conference in Chicago last week, stopped off at Bedford Springs, Pa. for a few days. Mrs. Edmunds accompanied him on the trip. Mrs. Elda Healey attended the REA Conference in Chicago and is now taking a week's vacation with her husband.

NORTHEAST AREA: Frank Helring was awarded a meritorious award by the Administrator for superior accomplishment at the June Field Conference in Chicago. Vern Nelsen will have lots to tell us after his month's vacation touring and camping around the west coast. Charlie Moore just taking it easy and trying out his new car; Mary Houston, that sweet talking honey-chile, in N. C.; and Vi Davis who is, we hope, catching that fish in Conn.

NORTH CENTRAL AREA: Lila Durham and hubby made a flying trip to Ky. to bring back Mom and Dad for their first visit to Washington. Reba Eberts has returned from 3 weeks in the Midwest. George Lewis and Oz Briden report Chicago a bad place to play poker. Ray Klink off to Wis. to make hay. Charles Estep resting --at home. Barbara Jack sunning at Ocean City. Ada Huff, Tom McDonald, Harold Park, Harold Whittle, and Martha Robinson also vacationing. Many thanks to those who contributed to the fund for David Lampton's widow.

WESTERN AREA: In for a month, George Johnson, OFR, will vacation in New England, then back to D. C. for two weeks. Accounting section welcomes Russell E. Wade, field engineer from Alaska, in D. C. for a while. Virginia Robey vacationing in Rome, N. Y. and from there to Atlantic City. Frank Speh will spend a few days at his "country estate" in West Virginia. Larry Cates is on 3 weeks leave. First to see his son stationed at Ft. Bragg, N. C. After that -- who knows? Fred Hamlin caught a fish about five inches long at Lake Michigan. Who can doubt him? Art Frank and family spent the 4th at Triton Beach. He comments that the beach will be just "PERFECT FOR THE REA PICNIC!"

SOUTHEAST AREA: Alice Crevasse is very proud of her son, Jimmie, who has just finished his internship and is setting up practice in Florida. He's been visiting here. Lois Evans has a baby girl born July 1.

SOUTHWEST AREA: Joe Farmer's daughter just presented him a bouncing 7 lbs. 10 oz. grandson. Joe and wife off to Denver to put their OK on the new addition and bestow their blessing. Gil Moon is leaving Friday for Tulsa, Okla. which will be his headquarters now that he is a field engineer. Ralph Shangraw is already in the field with headquarters at Safford, Ariz. Good luck, Ralph! Dave Askegaard is on vacation, fishing in Mo. Guess we'll be hearing some fish tales soon. Thelma Chambers is back from week-end to N. Y. City. She says, and I quote, "I'm completely worn out!" It would be nice if we got a day to rest from a long week-end, wouldn't it? Tim Callahan is on vacation on his tadpole farm. Caught any big ones lately, Tim? Clark Reid, OFR, spent few days in Washington last week. Charlie Fitch is vacationing in Ohio, attending a family reunion. Kurt Willasch is vacationing for 3 weeks in Canada. To Maestro Clem Bray goes the first faux pas of the new fiscal year. Clem booked his show for Thursday, July 8th. That also happens to be the Bray's wedding anniversary! But true to tradition Clem says "the show must go on." Oh, come now, Clem. Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy DeEastern and son off to Albany, N. Y. Congratulations to Bettye DeEastern who received a 10 year service pin. Mary Meek in San Francisco. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stewart to Conn. for christening of their new granddaughter. Betty Utz came back from Miami with a beautiful tan. Edna Leeland would like to say so long to all her friends in REA. Friday is her

last day, then she is going to stay home and train her youngest son and the new puppy she got from Lou Orlik. Southwest would like to welcome Kay Nimmo who is taking over Edna's job. Ann Tumilty is taking over as SWA's Span reporter.

Wanted: Ride to and from Agriculture, vicinity of Naylor Gardens - Naylor Road and Gainesville St., S. E., Elsie Beth Rutledge --x-4012.

Rotator for Carpool: Vicinity of Dominion Hills or Westover, Arlington, Call Adison, x-3231.

Ride Wanted: From Deer Park Heights, Md. to Agriculture. Call Elizabeth Truhan -x-5678.

Job Wanted: Former REA pay-increase award winner Paul Wood is spending this week in town. Paul gets out of service and goes back to school in September. Wants part-time job. Does as much work in one-half day as most folks do in a full day. Unqualified recommendations available from Agnes Johnson, Dillon, Liter, Mamer. Any takers? Leads appreciated.

ELECTRIC CIRCUS: It's Farm Show time on REA borrowers' systems. Which reminds us of the days that such young REAers as Hugh O'Hara had to pull REA Farm Show trailers on their own cars at 5 cents a mile. Hugh and his bride, Ann, pulled the trailer carrying the \$25,000 IH cow who gave milk continuously, chewed contentedly and mooed delightedly when she was "plugged in". She was show father Dan Teare's pride and joy. One week-end the O'Haras arrived very late, just under the wire for the Monday night gala show opening, and quietly braved Dan's choicest wrath.

Ten years later over dinner in Ohio, Hugh told us the story of his late arrival. Enroute to the show, an inconsiderate road hog hit his trailer, broke some trailer slats and tore a big hole in the cow's hide. Being young and fearful, Hugh and Ann immediately labelled this disaster "TOP SECRET." It took time to find a taxidermist to sew up IH's prized cow, a carpenter to fix the trailer and to mix and match the trailer's green paint exactly. So Hugh came in to the Show three days late and without an explanation.

Ten years later the story struck Dan Teare as VERY, VERY funny. Dan had long since returned the borrowed cow pridefully "undamaged" to IH, milker still attached, milk still flowing and not a hair out of place. And how do you suppose "Patching one cow" would look on a travel voucher? Just about like fixing one hole in the head, replacing one clutch worn out from pulling a trailer or paying \$50 for wiring a hotel ballroom. So Hugh, like most REA field folks, gave the patching job to the farmers of America. Even though he was the show's financial manager, he couldn't find a single place to conceal a torn hide from Dan who had chalked his late arrival up to "Honeymooning." Hugh is out on paternity leave at present, fathering 7 little O'H's.

PICNIC - JULY 24

Some questions arose after last week's Span about beverages. There will be plenty of stuff to drink and ice cream to eat. Watch for releases on the picnic soon.

